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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): **ANDREAS ARNING,
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For: IMPROVED HANDLING OF MESSAGES IN AN ELECTRONIC MESSAGING SYSTEM

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ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: ARMONK, NEW YORK**

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Enclosed are also:

26 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
 6 Pages of Claims
 2 Sheet(s) of Drawings
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney
 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation
 Certified Copy of GERMANY Patent 02102724.8 dated DECEMBER 11, 2002.
 Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of _____ references
 Preliminary Amendment

	Number		Number				Basic Fee
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Total Claims	15	-20 =	0	X	\$18	=	\$0.00
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